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<p>The filing of this request constitutes under Rule 4.9(a), the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents.</p> <p>However,</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DE Germany is not designated for any kind of national protection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> KR Republic of Korea is not designated for any kind of national protection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> RU Russian Federation is not designated for any kind of national protection</p> <p><i>(The check-boxes above may be used to exclude (irrevocably) the designations concerned in order to avoid the ceasing of the effect, under the national law, of an earlier national application from which the priority is claimed. See the Notes to Box No. V as to the consequences of such national law provisions in these and certain of States.)</i></p>				
Box No. VI PRIORITY CLAIM				
Filing date of earlier application (day/month/year)	Number of earlier application	Where earlier application is:		
		national application: country or Member of WTO	regional application: * regional Office	international application: receiving Office
item (1) 09 February 2004 09.02.2004	60/543,766	US		
item (2)				
item (3)				
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Further priority claims are indicated in the Supplemental Box.</p> <p>The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) (<i>only if the earlier application was filed with the Office which for the purposes of this international application is the receiving Office</i>) identified above as:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all items <input type="checkbox"/> item (1) <input type="checkbox"/> item (2) <input type="checkbox"/> item (3) <input type="checkbox"/> other, see Supplemental Box</p> <p>* <i>Where the earlier application is an ARIPO application, indicate at least one country party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or one Member of the World Trade Organization for which that earlier application was filed (Rule 4.10(b)(ii):</i></p>				
Box No. VII INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY				
<p>Choice of International Searching Authority (ISA) (If two or more International Searching Authorities are competent to carry out the international search, indicate the Authority chosen; the two-letter code may be used):</p> <p>ISA / EP</p> <p>Request to use results of earlier search; reference to that search (if an earlier search has been carried out by or requested from the International Searching Authority):</p> <p>Date (day/month/year): Number: Country (or regional Office):</p>				
Box No. VIII DECLARATIONS				
<p>The following declarations are contained in Boxes Nos. VIII (i) to (v) (mark applicable check-boxes below and indicate in the right column the number of each type of declaration):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (i) Declaration as to identity of the inventor : <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (ii) Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as to the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent : <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (iii) Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as to the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application : <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (iv) Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designations of the United States of America) : <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (v) Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty :</p>				Number of declarations